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In re Application Of:	)	Group Art Unit: 1623
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Yanxiang CAO et al.	)	Examiner: P. Lewis
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Serial No.: 09/738,892	)	
	)	Docket No. 003848.00059
Filed: December 18, 2000	)	
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For: METHODS OF crNA SYNTHESIS	)	

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

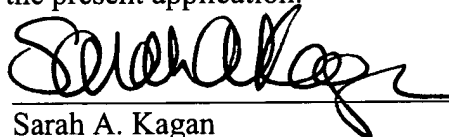
This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 24, 2002.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects without traverse the invention of Group II, *i.e.*, claims 2, 3, and 32 which are drawn to a method for determining expression of a plurality of mRNA species in a biological sample.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected invention prior to the termination of proceedings in the present application.

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